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12 FAM 070 PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAM

Changes

1. This CT issues updates to 12 FAM 070, Public Affairs:
 - a. Section 071 contains new language about the role of DS/PA in supporting DS domestically as an active liaison to the private sector and by sponsoring public forums.
 - b. Section 072, Congressional Relations, was removed and subsequent sections renumbered.
 - c. Section 074, Public Outreach, is added.
3. Due to the amount of new material due in large part to the renumbering, DIR considers this subchapter entirely new. Changes do not appear in italics and dark magenta.
4. Officers are reminded that Department-issued materials not codified in the *Foreign Affairs Manual* or its supplemental Foreign Affairs Handbook series generally have no regulatory validity (see 2 FAM 1115.2).
2. **Change Transmittal** has replaced the term, Transmittal Letter. Change transmittal was selected as being more appropriate in this age of electronic information transmission. The FAM volume's change transmittal acronym and numerical series remains in place.

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